



## Mudgee Masters Tournament Rules 2023

- All fixtures shall be played in compliance with the regulations in force at the time and in accordance with FFA By-Laws, regulations, codes and directives, and under the Laws of the Game as approved by FIFA except where specifically stated in these regulations.
- The tournament is for fun, camaraderie and enjoyment.
- There is no slide tackling at all.
- Teams will be randomly placed into equal numbered groups.
- Games will be 11 v 11 with a designated goalkeeper who will wear a distinctive kit from their own team and the opposition.
- Games will be two twenty minutes halves.
- Official referees will be provided for all games. NO ABUSE TOWARDS OFFICIALS WILL BE TOLERATED AND CARDS WILL BE ISSUED ACCORDINGLY. This includes Referees Assistants & ball boys.
- Referees Assistants are volunteer junior members of our club. They will officiate as best they can on clear offsides, but they are not professionals. Please remember this fact when reacting to any decisions.
- A yellow card is an automatic 10 minutes in the SINBIN (the player can be replaced on the field but they must leave the field for 10 mins). Any player receiving 2 yellow cards in the tournament will be ineligible to play in the next game. Yellow cards will carry throughout the tournament.
- Any player receiving a red card will be ineligible to play in the next 2 games and will be subject to the tournament's disciplinary procedures. Disciplinary rules are as per NSW Football rules.
- There will be full interchange throughout the tournament. All substitutions must be made from the halfway line in a stoppage of play and after alerting the referee.
- Games are required to start on time so any team not ready to start when the officials are ready will forfeit that game.
- Teams are restricted to a squad of 18 players. A maximum of 16 players are allowed on the team sheet per game. All players must be registered with their association. NO CURRENTLY SUSPENDED PLAYERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO PLAY.
- NO alcohol to be consumed by any player until you have finished your final game for that day.
- All male players must be over 35 at the time of the game. Any exceptions must be authorised by the tournament organisers.
- Female players can be under 35.

- The above rules are a summary only and in the event of a dispute, the decision of the tournament organisers shall be final and no correspondence will be entered into.

Points will be rewarded as follows:

- ❖ 3 points for a win
- ❖ 2 points for a score draw
- ❖ 1 point for a scoreless draw
- ❖ 0 points for a loss

The draw for the knock out rounds will be determined at the completion of the pool games by;

- ✓ Highest number of points.
- ✓ (If tied) goal difference (Plus / Minus goals for and against)
- ✓ (If tied) most goals scored.
- ✓ (If tied) penalty shootout.

In the knock out rounds if the scores are tied at the end of full time, a total of 5 mins of extra time will be played in a golden goal format. If teams are still tied at the end of extra time, a penalty shootout will determine the winner.